

PROPHETSTOWN STATE PARK

Park Office Hours: Daily 8:00am – 4:00pm
Battle Ground, Indiana
(765) 567-4919

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Asst. Property Manager: Jason Getz
Seasonal Interpretive Naturalist: Haley Samuelson-Couchman

NOTE: Prophetstown State Park is on EASTERN STANDARD TIME. All programs, hikes, and activities are free of charge and open to the public after payment of the park entrance fee, unless noted otherwise. Children 13 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

PARK PATCH: Ages 5 and up can visit the Park Office every Saturday at 12:00pm to find out how to earn a patch while enjoying the park over a few days!

July 2006 Schedule of Events

Saturday, July 1

10:00am – WILDFLOWER WANDER Join the naturalist on a walk along the bike trail and explore the wide variety of blooming flowers at Prophetstown State Park. Meet at the Campground Gatehouse.

1:00pm – DELIGHTFUL DRAGONFLIES Visit the naturalist at the Campground Playground to find out more about these neat insects, and make a fun craft to take home!

3:00pm – CRICKETS, LEOPARDS, AND BULLS, OH MY! Prophetstown is home to many different kinds of frogs and toads. Find the naturalist at the Prairie View Picnic Area Playground and make a frog craft!

Sunday, July 2

9:00am – BIRDWATCHING 101 Are you just learning your birding basics? Visit the Park Office and try out your bird watching skills in the park! Bring binoculars and field guides if available.

11:00am – BIKE HIKE Get your bikes rolling on the newest edition of the bike trail and pick up some tidbits about the development of Prophetstown State Park. Find the naturalist at the Bike Trail parking lot near the main gate. **HP-HP

2:00pm – RECYCLED ART! Join us at the Campground Playground to make a fun craft from items you can find in your home.

Friday, July 7

5:00pm CRITTER CHATTER Join the naturalist at the Campground Playground to listen to some of the neat animals of summer, and find out what they are talking about!

6:30pm – ROVING NATURALIST The naturalist is somewhere in the campground. Find her and hear what she has to say.

9:30pm – NIGHT HIKE Explore the fascinating creatures of the night with the naturalist! Meet at the Prairie View Picnic Area at the Coneflower Shelter.

Saturday, July 8

10:00am – FIRS, FORBS & FENS What is a forb? What is a fen? Join the naturalist on a walk through the unique habitats at Prophetstown State Park and find out more! Meet at the Meadow View Picnic Area trailhead.

1:00pm – COYOTE CROSSING! Drop by the Park Office to find out more about the clever coyotes that make their home at Prophetstown State Park!

3:00pm – CONSTRUCTED WETLANDS Meet the naturalist at the Meadow View Picnic Area Trailhead to learn about the unique wetland that also helps to control the waste at the park!

Sunday, July 9

10:00am – FEN AND PRAIRIE WALK Join the naturalist on a stroll through the unique habitats of Prophetstown, including a rare wetland known as a fen. Meet at the Prairie View Picnic Area Trailhead.

1:00pm – ANCIENT INDIANA The landscape of Prophetstown was completely altered by a glacier thousands of years ago. Visit the naturalist at the information office for activities and information about the natural history of the park.

Friday, July 14

5:00pm – TICK TALK Find out more about the tick at the Park Office, and try your hand at some interesting tick trivia!

6:30pm – ROVING NATURALIST The naturalist is somewhere in the campground. Find her and hear what she has to say!

9:30pm – NIGHT HIKE Explore the fascinating creatures of the night with the naturalist! Meet at the Prairie View Picnic Area at the Coneflower Shelter.

Saturday, July 15 – WILDFLOWER WEEKEND

10:00am – WILDFLOWER WANDER Join the naturalist on a walk along the bike trail and explore the wide variety of blooming flowers at Prophetstown State Park. Meet at the Campground Gatehouse.

1:00pm – BEAUTIFUL BLOSSOMS Join us at the Campground Playground to make a beautiful flower craft to take home!

3:00pm – FLORAL FOLKLORE Native Americans and Pioneers found many uses for the plants of the prairie. Visit the information office for a stroll through the nursery beds accompanied by tales of prairie folklore!

Sunday, July 16

10:00am – FEN AND PRAIRIE WALK Join the naturalist on a stroll through the unique habitats of Prophetstown, including a rare wetland known as a fen. Meet at the Prairie View Picnic Area Trailhead.

1:00pm – PRAIRIE FLOWER PRINTS Visit the Campground Playground to make fun craft from items found in nature.

3:00pm – PRACTICAL PRAIRIE PLANTS Native prairie plants have been used for thousands of years for food, medicine, and even in homes. Visit the Park Office to learn more about these unique plants!

Friday, July 21

5:00pm – PROPHETSTOWN UNDERGROUND Many of the animals that live at Prophetstown make their home underground. Visit the Prairie View Picnic Area Playground to find out why, and make a fun craft to take home!

7:00pm – ROVING NATURALIST The naturalist is somewhere in the campground. Find her to hear what she has to say!

9:30pm – NIGHT HIKE Explore the fascinating creatures of the night on this 1-hour hike with the naturalist! Meet at the Prairie View Picnic Area at the Coneflower Shelter. Please do not bring flashlights.

Saturday, July 22

8:00am – 4:00pm – SCAVENGER HUNT Drop by the Park Office to pick up a scavenger hunt to do on your own. When you are finished, bring it back to the office for a prize!

2:00pm – PRAIRIE MOBILE Visit the Prairie View Playground to make a neat prairie mobile.

4:00pm – INSECT EYES Visit the Campground Playground to make this neat craft that allows you to see like a bug!

9:00pm – CAMPFIRE TONIGHT! Join the naturalist at campsite 251 for fun, stories, games, and more! Bring a blanket and a story to share at this old-fashioned gathering.

Sunday, July 23

9:00am – FEN-TASTIC WETLANDS! Prophetstown is home to several unique wetlands. Meet at the Prairie View Picnic Area Trailhead to discover more about this amazing ecosystem.

11:00am – FAUX FOSSILS Visit the Prairie View Picnic Area Playground to find out more about fossils, and try your hand at making your own fossil!

1:00pm – PIONEERING THE PRAIRIE Discover how Prophetstown's prairie was restored. Visit the Park Office for a tour of the nursery beds and the greenhouses where the prairie began.

Friday, July 28

7:00pm – ROVING NATURALIST The naturalist is somewhere in the campground. Find her and hear what she has to say!

9:30pm – NIGHT HIKE Explore the fascinating creatures of the night on this 1-hour hike with the naturalist! Meet at the Prairie View Picnic Area at the Coneflower Shelter. Please do not bring flashlights.

Saturday, July 29

3:00pm – INCREDIBLE INSECTS! Find the naturalist at the Campground Comfort Station for activities about the fascinating insects at Prophetstown State Park.

5:00pm – INDOOR PLANETARIUM Join us at the Park Office to discover the stars and planets on our indoor planetarium!

9:00pm – CAMPFIRE FUN! Join in the fun at campsite 251. A great way to meet other campers, share stories, and join in games. Bring a blanket and your stories to the fire tonight!

Sunday, July 30

10:00am – MORNING MEADOW MEANDER Take a stroll with us on a cool summer morning in the prairie. Meet the naturalist at the Meadow View Picnic Area Trailhead.

1:00pm – GO FLY A KITE! Drop by the Campground Playground and make your own kite to take home!

****HP-HP – Healthy Parks – Healthy People.** Prophetstown State Park has joined forces with all Indiana State Parks and Reservoirs to help keep Hoosiers and their parks healthy. The HP-HP activities keep you active, and give you an opportunity to explore this park.